Application No. 09/856,683 Art Unit 3737 Docket No. 0101-P01789US1 Examiner: Roy

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: : Group Art Unit: 3737

Vining, et al.

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DETECTION

Petition for Extension Under 37 CFR §1.136(a)

Applicant's undersigned Agent hereby petitions for an extension of time of **THREE** months beyond the time period set in the last office communication. The proper fee is enclosed as identified in the enclosed Fee Transmittal form.

Authorization to Charge Deposit Account

In the event a fee is required and is not enclosed, or the check is improper, or the fee calculation is in error, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment to the account of the undersigned attorneys, Account No. 04-1406. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 7, 2007, please amend the above-identified application, without prejudice or disclaimer, as follows://reconsideration of the outstanding rejections is respectfully requested in view of the remarks and arguments presented below.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 25 of this paper.